1	2	3	4	5	6
2	The Mamdot Coop. Sugar Mill Ltd., Mamdot, Teh. & Distt. Ferozepur Punjab.	25-4-86	27-5-86	12-6-86	No representation either from the S.G* or from the party been received
3	The Faridkot Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd., Teh. & Distt. Faridkot, Punjab.	15-5-86	5-8-86	5-9-86	Do.
4	The Budhlada Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd., Teh. Mansa, Distt. Bhatinda, Punjab.	15-5-86	5-8-86	5-9-86	Do.
5	The Jagraon Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd., PO P& Teh. Jagraon, Distt. Ludhiana, Punjab.	15-5-86	5-8-86	5-9-86	Do.
6	The Mehal Kalan Coop. Sugar Mills Ltd., PO Mehal Kalan, Teh. Barnala, Distt. Sangrur, Punjab.	15-5-86	5-8-86	5-9-86	Do.

Sugar production

2481. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of sugar produced in the country during the last two years, year-wise;

(b) whether this was adequate to meet the domestic needs;

(c) whether some quantities of sugar was imported during the above period to meet the domestic needs; and

(d) the steps being taken to increase sugar production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Sugar production during 1984-85 season was 61.44 lakh tonnes and in 1985-86 it was 70.03 lakh tonnes.

(b) and (c) As a result of fall in sugar production during 1983-84 and 1984-85 seasons, some quantities were imported to keep the availability position adequate and to check rise in prices.

(d) Government have taken following measures to increase sugar production:—

(i) For the 1985-86 season, the statutory minimum price of sugarcane was fixed at Rs. 16.50 per quintal, linked to a basic recovery of 8.5 per cent with proportionate premium for higher recoveries. This marked an increase of Rs. 2.50 per quintal over the price fixed for the previous season. Further, for the 1986-87 season, a still higher price of Rs. 17 per quintal was announced in advance of the sowing season. Now, for the next season 1987-88 the price has been announced at a still higher level of Rs. 18.00 per quintal, linked to a recovery of 8.5 per cent.

(ii) Excise duty rebate for early crushing during the months of October and November 1986 has also been announced.

(iii) The ex-factory prices of levy sugar were also raised corresponding to the higher statutory minimum price of sugarcane.

(iv) The ratio of levy : levy-free sugar was changed from 65 : 35 to 55 : 45 for the 1985-86 season.

(v) Differential levy price of Rs. 26 per quintal has been allowed to weak units having capacity below 1250 TCD and having plants installed prior to 1-10-1955.

(vi) Despite the value of sugarcane purchased during 1985-86 season being

the highest, the arrears of growers have been reduced to the minimum.

(vii) Loan assistance on soft terms is available to sugar producing units under the Sugar Development Fund for modernisation and rehabilitation as well as sugar cane development.

Rural Development Schemes in Bihar

2482. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Central sponsored schemes started in Bihar for the development of rural areas during the last three financial years, year-wise;

(b) what was the amount allocated for Bihar State during the said period;

(c) what was the amount returned to Central Government by the Bihar State as unutilised during the above period alongwith reasons for non-utilisation; and

(d) what is the likely allocation of amount for the financial year 1987-88, scheme-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURAL (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) The major Central sponsored rural Development programmes being implemented in Bihar during the last three financial years are: Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), National Rural Employment Programme (NREP), Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP) and Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP). While IRDP, NREP and DPAP are continuing since the beginning of the Sixth Five Year Plan, RLEGP was started in August, 1983.

(b) A statement is attached (*See* below).

(c) The annual allocations of Central assistance under these programmes are made in accordance with the formula for allocations indicated in the guidelines for these programmes. Actual releases to the States are, however made taking into account the utilisation of funds released earlier and submission of various reports and returns etc. There is, however, no provision for refund under these programmes. The State Governments are permitted to carry over the unutilised amount to the next financial year.

(d) State-wise allocations under the various programmes for 1987-88 have not yet been worked out. These will be made after outlays for the programmes of the Deptt. of Rural Development are finalised.

Statement

Details of allocations of funds for Bihar under the major Centrally sponsored rural development programmes of the Deptt. of Rural Development during the last three financial years

(Rs. in lakhs)

Programme	Year	Central allocation
IRDP	1983-84	2348·00
	1984-85	2348·00
	1985-86	2624·20
NREP	1983-84	2872.00
	1984-85	3274·00
	1985-86	3274·00*
RLEGP	1983-84	1425·00
	1984-85	7125·00
	1985-86	7149·20
DPAP	1983-84	232·50
	1984-85	232·50
	1985-86	324 00

*A quantity of 71550 MTs of additional wheat was released to the state free of cost by the centre without States liability of matching contribution :